

Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals

Monthly Project Bulletin: February 2012

This bulletin is your monthly source for regular updates on the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project. This issue covers:

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Have a Question?

Have a question about the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project? Send it to

workforce.guidelines@nrel.gov.

We review all questions and provide feedback via personal response, this bulletin, or the <u>Guidelines website</u>.

Pilot Certification Program Coming Soon

The Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals team is set to launch a pilot certification program in the summer of 2012. This pilot certification program is an opportunity for DOE, NREL, and the Building Performance Institute (BPI) to test the certification process prior to the national rollout later this year.

Additional information on the pilot certification program, including how to register, required prerequisites, and how to gain certification, will be announced and posted to the <u>project website</u> in the coming weeks.

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Manufactured Housing Standard Work Specifications Industry Review Extended: Now Open through February 10, 2012

The Manufactured Housing Standard Work Specifications industry review has been extended one week, **now ending February 10, 2012**. Industry input is invaluable to the standard work specifications development process, and DOE wants to give industry every opportunity to comment.

To participate in the review process, please create an account using the new commenting tool available at: http://nrel.pnnl.gov/forum.php. If you have questions or concerns, please e-mail: workforce.guidelines@nrel.gov.

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Upcoming Conferences and Events

Interested in speaking with the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project team? We will be presenting at a number of conferences and events, including:

- Rocky Mountain Contractor Exchange
- Midwest Regional ENERGY STAR® Conference
- ACI National Home Performance Conference

Please look us up if you plan to attend any of these events. Or, send us an e-mail at: workforce.quidelines@nrel.gov.

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About the Project

The Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project is a collaboration between DOE and industry to support high-quality home energy upgrade work through standard work specifications, accredited training programs, and voluntary national worker certifications.

Learn more about the Guidelines for Home Energy Professionals project at: www.wip.energy.gov/retrofit guidelines.html.

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